

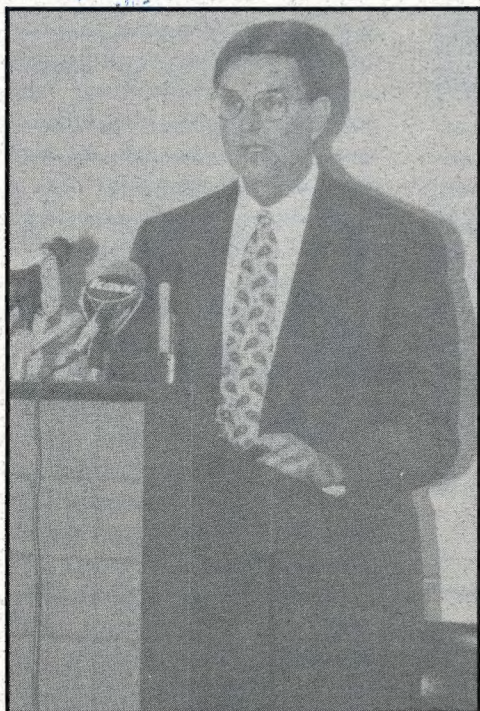


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A NEWSLETTER FOR TSUD FACULTY AND STAFF

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Dr. Harrison Announces Retirement

Dr. Thomas Harrison, president of Troy State University at Dothan, has notified the chancellor of The Troy State University System that he plans to retire at the end of August 1995. Dr. Harrison was named TSUD president in November 1985 and took office January 1, 1986. Dr. Harrison has accepted an appointment, effective September 1, 1995, as chair and associate professor in the Department of Educational Technology, Administration, and Foundations at Columbus College in Columbus, Georgia.

During Dr. Harrison's ten years at TSUD, the university has made significant improvements in its

facilities. When Dr. Harrison assumed the presidency, TSUD was located in downtown Dothan in the renovated Houston Hall, formerly Houston Hotel, and several nearby buildings. In June 1990, TSUD relocated to its present campus on U.S. Highway 231 North with two multi-purpose buildings designed in the classic Williamsburg style of architecture and located on a 275-acre campus. The new campus has improved the image of the institution and enhanced the Dothan landscape on one of the major transportation entrances to Dothan. Dr. Harrison has overseen the development of plans for two future buildings to

provide greater space for library services and technology and for classroom and office space.

Since 1986, TSUD's enrollment has grown by 58% from 1,502 (Fall Quarter 1986) to 2,366 (Fall Quarter 1994), with an all-time high enrollment of 2,606 during Winter Quarter 1994. Much of the enrollment increase is credited to Dr. Harrison's focus on TSUD's identifying and refining its mission and his emphasis on providing appropriate programs, services, facilities, and policies to meet the needs of TSUD's predominantly non-traditional student body. TSUD has been recognized by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as one of the "Master's (Comprehensive) Universities and Colleges I," based on the number and level of degrees offered and awarded. Dr. Harrison has joined with the presidents of twenty-five other similar commuter institutions around the country to form an alliance of commuter institutions for the sharing of information and ideas. Inclusion in this group of institutions demonstrates the respect TSUD has earned from its collegiate peers.

Under Dr. Harrison's leadership, TSUD has made significant strides in accreditation. All of TSUD's teacher preparation programs continue to be approved by the Alabama State Board of Education. In 1989, TSUD successfully completed a comprehensive self-study and site visit by a review team for the reaffirmation of its independent accreditation from the regional ac-

crediting agency, the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Most recently, two units at TSUD have received national accreditation. TSUD's programs in the School of Education are accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, and programs in the School of Business received accreditation from the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs.

In addition to facilities, enrollment growth, and accreditation activities, Dr. Harrison has guided the development of TSUD's administrative structure in order to provide the best possible services and learning environment for students and to offer lifelong learning opportunities for the citizens of the Wiregrass region. While TSUD has always had extensive academic offerings at night, the university in recent years has made the schedule even more flexible by adding telecourses, more daytime offerings, classes on the weekends, and two interim sessions. TSUD's continuing education program, including training for business and industry, has been successful in providing non-credit educational opportunities for many citizens and in recruiting students for the regular academic program.

Prior to leading TSUD, Dr. Harrison served as Dean of Student Development Services at George C. Wallace State Community College in Dothan, principal of Carroll High School in Ozark, principal of T. R. Miller High School in Brewton, and assistant principal of Sidney Lanier High School in Montgomery. Dr. Harrison's administrative experiences were preceded by his being a classroom teacher in public schools in Alabama.

A graduate of Troy State University, Harrison earned the master's and doctoral degrees from Auburn University. Harrison is active in many civic and professional organizations. He is a member of the Dothan Rotary Club; Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce, where he serves on the Board of Directors;

Dothan Family Services Center Committee; Dothan-Houston County Substance Abuse Board; Wiregrass Museum of Art Board of Directors.

Dr. Harrison's accomplishments in education and public service have received recognition. In the fall of 1994, Dr. Harrison was named by the TSU National Alumni Association Board as one of the distinguished alumni. Other recent honors include being recognized editorially by The Dothan Eagle for his leadership to Troy State University at Dothan and being nominated Outstanding College Administrator Award for Alabama.

When asked what he considered his most significant accomplishments at TSUD, Dr. Harrison mentioned, first and foremost, the quality of the faculty and staff he has assembled. Then he added the increased respect for TSUD from the local community and the greater higher education community, the successful efforts in accreditation, the relocation to the new campus, and the establishment of a bright future for TSUD as a Master's I commuter university.

As Dr. Harrison leaves TSUD, the university knows its mission, it recognizes and accepts the characteristics shared by the majority of the student body, and it embraces honorable principles in its decision-making process. According to Dr. Harrison, "I leave TSUD knowing that it is a purposeful, open, just, disciplined, caring, and celebrative community. I am proud of TSUD and proud of my association with it."

TSUD Joins Area Educators



With the recent disclosure of the "Dothan by Design" project,

Wiregrass education officials from Dothan City Schools, Houston County Schools, Wallace Community College, and Troy State University at Dothan have formulated a group and a process to address the educational needs for enhancing the quality of life for area citizens.

The Education Summit Committee, as the group is called, began its venture on January 31, 1995, and since then has met on several occasions and formalized subcommittees in the areas of mission, technology, and public relations to conduct the tasks of moving education in a positive and progressive manner.

"The Education Summit Committee, as far as we know the first of its kind in Alabama, will meet regularly to plan, implement, and evaluate programs and services needed for new business development, local business expansion and retention as well as to advance quality of life concerns," stated Dr. Thomas Harrison, TSUD president.

To deal with a project of this magnitude, a group must devise a mission to show direction and to focus on a common goal. It may be a cliché, but it is also true: "If you don't know where you are going, you may not get there." The mission statement for the Education Summit Committee is: "Educators in the Wiregrass are committed to work together to produce skilled and knowledgeable citizens and to improve their quality of life."

Dr. Larry Beaty, president of Wallace College, said, "The education community in the Wiregrass, composed of the four partners here today, is committed to 'going somewhere' with education. Our mission statement



indicates where we want to go." "We believe that, with this clear sense of mission and with the support of additional community partners, we will be able to effect change and improvements in education. These changes and improvements will benefit and support the economic development and the quality of life objectives voiced by this community," Beaty added.

The Technology Subcommittee of the Education Summit Committee has immediately identified staff training as its most critical common need and has developed a plan to address that need without incurring any direct costs for the partner schools and colleges. Facilities, equipment, and personnel resources at all four partner locations are being used to train teachers and staff in computer skills ranging from basic keyboarding to multimedia applications. Classes are offered free to participants who must volunteer their time. Hundreds are already enrolled, and over 300 are on a waiting list for future classes.

"Long term, this subcommittee envisions shared access to the information highway; development of distance learning projects; consortia to apply for grant funds; coordinated planning; and joint purchasing of hardware and software. This shared



expertise also will decrease the likelihood of costly purchasing errors and increase the purchasing power of the partners,"

remarked Kenneth Lord, Houston County Schools superintendent.

Progressive school and community relations involve a mutual relationship—one where the community is interested in the schools and colleges and their work and where education institutions hold a sincere interest for the community and its citizens. If these mutual attitudes promote a personal interest and relationship and in time a mutual respect for the work of the schools and colleges and, conversely,



Tree Dedication

The TSUD Chapter of the Alabama Education Association dedicated a tree on the Dothan campus in honor of past, present, and future AEA members. Shown (L-R) are Sonja Woodham, secretary; Dr. Richard Martin, past president; Pamela Williamson, chapter member; and Dr. Sarah Patrick, president.

if the schools and colleges manifest an abiding interest in the community, then there is a progressive relationship. There can be no real relationship if the public does not know about or understand the education story of the educational institutions in the community.

"We, as a partnership, are committed to developing better methods of telling our story about public education. We are committed to creating ways to assist the Chamber of Commerce in having all the information possible in regard to programs, services, and activities that are going on in our schools and colleges so that this will offer support to the Chamber



when pursuing new business, industry, and projects for the Wiregrass region," said Dr. Don Musselman, superintendent of Dothan City Schools. "We feel that we can make a much stronger state-

ment when speaking as a unit," he added.

Each year, an industrial recruitment magazine called Area Development surveys 500 corporate executives on what is important to their companies in the site selection process, with respect to either a new site or the expansion of an existing one. Every year, education ranks in the top four quality of life issues because every good business person knows the value of a solid education.

Charles Nailen, chamber chairman, said, "If our region is to recruit top quality business and industry, then we must be able to offer top quality institutions in which to educate their employees and their children. The new spirit of cooperation being announced here today by the Education Summit Committee is an exciting partnership designed to provide just that."

"As we all know, good schools cannot be mandated or legislated. Instead, attitudes must change and a spirit of unity developed throughout the entire community. If the Dothan

area is to prosper, our educational expectations must be raised to meet the needs of the next century's employers. Through this new cooperative effort, the journey toward education excellence can begin," added Nailen.

Professional Staff Member of the Month

Renee Green



Renee Green, assistant director for Distance Education, has been recognized as the "Professional Staff Member of the Month."

Renee received her associate degree from Chipola Junior College in Marianna, FL, in 1981, her bachelor's degree in church vocations from William Carey College in Hattiesburg, MS, in 1984, and her master's degree in counseling and psychology from Troy State University at Dothan in 1990. Ms. Green has recently been accepted in the graduate program in higher education administration at Florida State University.

Prior to coming to TSUD in June 1993, she was an education technician for the Federal Correctional Institution in Marianna, FL.

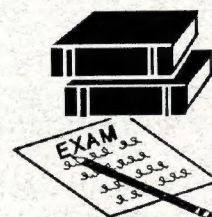
Ms. Green is a member of the Alabama Counseling Association. She also served as coach of the TSUD Women's Softball Team for their initial season.

In her spare time she is active as a musical performer in area churches and community events. She also enjoys playing softball and racquetball.

**TSU System Retreat
Monday, August 21, 1995**

Library News

by Frank Walker, director of Library Services



Another 10th Celebration

The TSUD Library reached a milestone in June 1995; the 10,000th library card was issued. It's coincidental that the 10,000th card was issued during our 10th Anniversary Celebration of SACS accreditation.

The Library began issuing borrowers' cards in 1985 in order to use, what then, was a somewhat progressive mechanical system, the Gaylord Charge system. Prior to that, the Library used the old "sign your name" system. Of course, things have changed dramatically since 1985.

Consider what the 10,000th card means: that many students have attended TSUD over that period, that many students have made use of the Library at least once over that period, that many clerical entries have been made in the borrowers' register, that many registration cards have been typed and filed, and at least that many questions have been asked of TSUD staff.

We hope that well before the 20,000th library card is issued that the TSUD Library will be part of an on-line circulation system, which will use bar codes, wands, file servers, etc., all of which are part of today's sophisticated library technology. Different library systems will be networked so that TSUD students can search simultaneously all the holdings records of colleges and universities in Alabama. Their search will tell them if the book is owned, on order, on the shelf, or checked out and when due back in. The student can process his/her own request for a title on-line or can have full text transmitted via high speed transmission. Our successors will look back and wonder how we managed with what, to them, would be a primitive system.

Classified Staff Member of the Month

Mary Butler-McCruter



Mary Butler-McCruter, library assistant, has been recognized as the "Classified Staff Member of the Month."

Mary received an associate degree from Wallace College in 1989 and a bachelor's degree in business administration from TSUD in 1993.

Prior to coming to TSUD in January, 1990, she was the NCO Club manager for the Department of the Army in Pirmasens, Germany. Mary and her husband, Clarence, reside in Dothan. They have two children: Keira, 20, who is attending the University of Alabama in Birmingham, and Daxshryl, 18.

She enjoys Bible study, cooking, sewing, working with the youth in her community, playing softball, and traveling.

Adjunct Faculty Member of the Month

Mary Paramore

Mary Paramore, adjunct instructor for the College of Arts and Sciences, has been recognized as the "Adjunct Faculty Member of the Month."



Mrs. Paramore earned a bachelor's degree from West Texas State University in 1965 and a master of science degree from TSUD in 1982.

She began teaching at TSUD in January, 1985, and is also an English teacher in the Enterprise City School System.

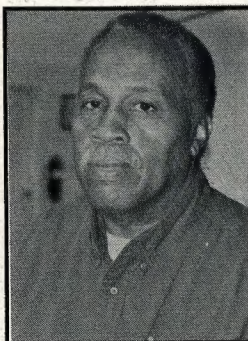
Her publications include articles in the Alabama School Journal and the Birmingham News.

Mrs. Paramore has conducted in-service workshops in creative writing and imagination, has spoken at ASPA meetings at the University of Alabama, and has presented of papers to the Alabama Academy of Science.

She and her husband, Douglas, reside in New Brockton and have five children: Walker, 37; Terry, 36; Cheri, 35; Julianna, 27; and April, 22. In addition to teaching, she enjoys reading, writing, and playing the piano.

Leroy Michael

Leroy Michael, adjunct instructor for the School of Business, has been recognized as the



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News from Montgomery...

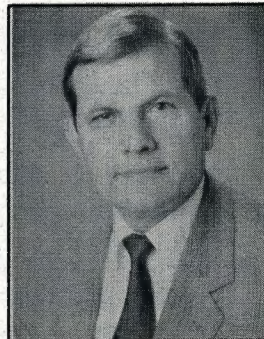
TSUM Names Interim VP

Retired USAF Brigadier General Robin G. Tornow has been promoted to interim vice president of Administration and Finance at Troy State University Montgomery. Since 1993, Tornow has been the director of campus planning and development at TSUM.



Mr. Tornow brings to TSUM a vast background of leadership ability. Previous activities include being one of four senior Air Force Pentagon Planners responsible for developing a coordinated joint and national security policy, chairman of a \$5 billion annual budgeted weapons program committee, introducing the F-15E fighter aircraft into active inventory, and developing all maintenance and flying training programs for that aircraft. From 1990 to 1993, he served as the Commander (Chief Executive Officer) of the Air Force Reserve Officer Training program with a \$50 million budget.

Mr. Tornow received his B.S. in engineering science from the U.S. Air Force Academy, his M.S. in engineering mechanics from the University of Texas at Austin, and is a graduate of four levels of military professional education from the Air War College.



News from Troy...

Trojan '95 Season Tickets



The TSU Trojans return to the football field in 1995 after another successful campaign in '94. The Trojans advanced to post-season play for the second consecutive year, and under fifth-year Head Coach Larry Blakeney, Troy State has won 73% of its games, compiling a 35-12-1 record.

According to Coach Blakeney, "We should have more quality experience and leadership at critical positions than we've had since I've been here."

TSU will host five games in Memorial Stadium on the TSU campus. Reserve your seats for all the action this fall and buy your 1995 Troy State season tickets today!

For more ticket information, call (334) 670-3480.

TAG ALONG!

Troy State University System Prestige and Collegiate car tags are available when you purchase or renew your Alabama license tags. With each tag sold, another \$50 goes directly to the general scholarship fund. Your contribution can be designated by campus.

Visit your local probate office to purchase your TSU System tag.



Activities of the President

- Presided at TSUD Executive Council meetings.
- Participated in TSUD Spring Commencement.
- Attended TSU Spring Commencement in Troy.
- Met with College of Arts & Sciences Dean candidates.
- Interviewed candidate for assistant professor of Special Education position.
- Met with Dr. Larry Beaty, Mr. Dick Bell, and Alabama Commission on Higher Education officials in Montgomery.
- Delivered keynote speech and presented a Job Satisfaction Workshop at the Alabama Association of College Registrars and Admissions Officers Conference in Huntsville.
- Presided at Education Summit press conference.
- Participated in Economic Development meeting.
- Guest of Leadership Alabama Committee.
- Ribbon cuttings.
- Participated in the following Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce events:
 - > Education Committee.
 - > Executive Committee meetings.
 - > Board of Directors meetings.
 - > Press conferences.
 - > Ribbon cuttings.

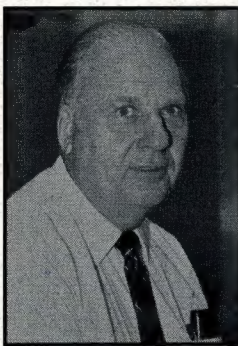
"Adjunct Faculty Member of the Month."

Mr. Michael earned his bachelor's degree from Miles College in 1962 and his master's degree from Atlanta University in 1967.

Mr. Michael began teaching at TSUD in August, 1980, and is also a statistician for the U.S. Army Safety Center at Ft. Rucker.

He received the 1994 Outstanding Adjunct Faculty Award at Troy State University at Dothan's 1994 Spring Honors Convocation.

He and his wife, Lazette, reside in Daleville and have four children: Diana, 28; Stephania, 26; Kenneth, 22; and Keith, 18.



Dr. Bill Moon

Dr. Bill Moon, adjunct instructor for the School of Education, has been recognized as the "Adjunct

Faculty Member of the Month."

Dr. Moon earned a bachelor's degree in history from Troy State University in 1953, a master's degree in education from the University of Florida in 1957, and a doctorate in

counseling and psychology from Auburn University in 1966.

He began teaching at TSUD in September 1968.

He and his wife, Carolyn, reside in Dothan. Dr. Moon is a member of the First Baptist Church, the founder and coordinator of the Wiregrass US TOO support group for men with prostate cancer, and a horticulturalist who grows camellias, orchids, and exhibition mums. His favorite hobby, however, is teaching.

People in the News



Dr. Brenda Ameter presided at Houston Arts and Humanities Council meeting on June 9; hosted Creative Writing Club meeting on June 17.

Dr. Robert Burroughs presented a prospectus to Mr. Otis Jones of the United States Forest Service on June 23. The study will document reasons for low participation by black and other minority landowners in forestry programs.

Ms. Sandra Carter attended the ALACRAO Conference in Huntsville, AL, on June 21 - 23.

Dr. William Evans attended the Lilly Conference on Excellence in College and University Teaching in Columbia, SC, on June 2 - 4.

Dr. Elizabeth Fell met with Abbeville Elementary Administration

1995 Fall Interim Session

August 14 - 31

Gamma Beta Phi

At its meeting on June 25, Gamma Beta Phi elected its new Executive Committee/officers for the 1995-96 academic year. Officers are:

President	Mary French	Enterprise
Vice President	Tara Brackin	Dothan
Secretary	Michelle Rogers	Enterprise
Treasurer/Public Relations	Sharron Byrd	Newton
Historian	John Taylor	Bascom, FL
Special Projects Director	Jo Ann Parry	Alford, FL

Dr. Richard Martin, chapter advisor, presided over the ceremony and formally installed the new officers and executive committee.

as SACS Facilitator, Elementary School Improvement: Focusing on Desired Learner Outcomes, for 1997 SACS Review on June 5; conducted Curriculum and Instruction meeting on June 28; conducted NCATE Committee meeting, Category III: Professional Education Faculty meeting on June 29; submitted a proposal, which has been accepted, for the National Kappa Delta Pi Convocation; met with Sue Green, director of Children's Department at Houston-Love Library, to finalize plans for the Summer Reading Program, "Terrific Treks."

Dr. Jan Gunnels attended the annual meeting of the Jean Piaget Society and the Constructivist Teaching Association in San Francisco; appeared with Dr. Cynthia Lumpkin and Lisa Branch on WDHN's Community Focus with Jennifer Childree to promote the Summer Spectacular program at TSUD; accompanied 40 TSUD students on a trip to the Constructivist Teaching Conference in Birmingham on June 15; completed an interview with Angela Mann to be aired on WTSU for the promotion of Summer Spectacular.

Dr. Glenda Gunter submitted three papers for approval to the Annual MSREA conference; enrolled in an Internet WWW class on-line.

Mr. David Johnson held recruiting session at the TSUD display at Wiregrass Commons Mall on June 2-3; met with SGA officers on June 7; represented TSUD at the Grand Opening of Baskin-Robins on June 16; attended annual conference of the Alabama Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers in Huntsville, AL on June 21-23.

Dr. Robert Jones attended Alabama Alcohol & Drug Abuse Association Board meeting in Birmingham on June 22; attended as advisor the TSUD Chapter meeting of the Alabama Counseling Association.

Dr. Charlotte Kirkland attended Leadership Dothan graduation; attended Chamber of Commerce Legislative Affairs Committee meetings; attended Gayfers Career Council meeting at Chrysalis; attended James Grant Realty ribbon cutting.

Dr. Frank Lovrich attended meeting of TSU System Academic Council in Troy on June 15; met with Wiregrass Legislative Delegation at Chamber of Commerce on June 19; attended Continuing Education Advisory Board meeting on June 21; attended Alabama Commission on

Higher Education (ACHE) meetings at Tuskegee University on June 29-30.

Dr. Cynthia Lumpkin appeared on the "Morning Show" (WTVY) and on Community News (WDHN) to promote Summer Spectacular; served as faculty marshal for Spring Commencement; attended the Constructivist Teaching Conference in Birmingham with Dr. Jan Gunnels and 40 ECE/ELE students.

Dr. Diane Murphy toured Shaw Industries as external curriculum specialist for ESJC Workplace 2000 project on May 31 and June 1; met with Wiregrass Adult Literacy Coalition on June 6 and was asked to serve as secretary and board member; met with Special Education faculty candidate on June 16; toured Pridecraft Industries as external curriculum specialist for ESJC Workplace 2000 on June 21.

Dr. Ruth Oliver attended the Spring Retreat of the Alabama Association for Counselor Education and Supervision at Auburn University Montgomery on June 23.

Dr. Kumar Rallapalli attended Faculty Consortium of American Marketing Association in Long Island, NY, June 23-26; had paper entitled "Religiosity and Marketing Ethics" accepted for presentation in Twentieth Annual Macromarketing Conference to be held in Richmond, VA, in August 1995.

Dr. Jack Sublette chaired the Quality of Life subcommittee for community roundtable discussion to be sponsored by Wiregrass Leadership and the Kellogg Foundation on June 1; met with new SGA officers on June 7; attended Air Transportation Committee at Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce on June 8; attended annual conference of the Alabama Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers in Huntsville, AL, on June 21-23.

Ms. Ann Wells attended meetings of the Staff Handbook Revision Committee on June 1 and 27; met with Debra McTier, Continuing Education from Tuskegee University on June 8; met with the Houston County group of Wiregrass Leadership Institute on June 13; visited Georgia-Pacific on June 19; conducted a Continuing Education Advisory Council meeting on June 21; attended a planning session for an Auctioneering School to begin fall quarter; attended a RSVP Advisory Council meeting on June 29.

Mr. Bob Willis attended the Alabama Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admission Officers in Huntsville, AL, on June 21-23; represented TSUD at a Chamber of Commerce ribbon cutting on June 29.

Mr. Tony Whetstone was interviewed by WRWA-FM regarding the TSUD Community Band and the summer concert at Landmark Park; attended Dothan Advertising Federation Board meeting and luncheon and was elected treasurer of that organization; participated as assistant coach in Dixie Minor Baseball city playoff games; organized and attended Education Summit Committee press conference at Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce; attended TSU System Visual Identity meeting in Troy.

Houston Arts & Humanities Council



HAHC meets on the second Friday of every month at noon at the Holiday Inn-South. All TSUD students, faculty, and staff are invited to attend.

From the TSUD Family

I have resigned my position with the Grounds Department to accept a job at DynCorp-Fort Rucker. I have truly enjoyed being a member of the TSUD family for the past two years. I wish continued success for everyone in the years to come.

Sincerely,
Rick Lewis

Dear TSUD Friends,

Thanks so much for the "Love Donation" given to Roland and me. Your love and concern really touches my heart. You are all very special people. It has been a tough long five months for our family, but our faith and the love and concern of family and friends make it bearable. Please continue to pray for better days for Roland.

Love,
Cindy Halcomb

Birthdays for August

10	Kay Denisar
19	Patricia Nelson
21	Jonua Byrd
24	Sheila Bennett
26	Kumar Rallapalli
28	Larry Brown
29	Pat Reeves
31	Sarah Love



Birthdays for September

1	Joanne Krist
3	Sandra Carter
8	Robert Jones
10	Ken Deavers
11	Viola Powell
12	J.C. Lewis
12	Andrew Rivers
13	Tony Whetstone
16	Frank Lovrich
24	Jim Hartsfield
24	Patsy Rach

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NEWS FROM . . .

Creative Writing Club



The Creative Writing Club will not meet in August. The first meeting of the 1995-96 school year will be September 23 at 6:30 p.m. at Dr. Ameter's home. All TSUD students are welcome to attend.

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